:: BOSTON ITALIAN :: IMMIGRANT SOCIETY

Help the immigrant to help himself It is to the advantage of Boston.

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The scope of the Boston Italian Immigrant Society is the

Protection of Italian Immigrants on their immediate arrival at the port of Boston from every form of abuse.

AT THE DOCK

Bringing forward waiting relatives; locating immigrants' baggage and having it promptly examined, especially in the cases of those going out of Boston on immigrant trains; assisting immigrants to provide themselves with sufficient food at moderate price for long train journeys; co-operation through services of the Society's agents with the representative of the B. & M. R. R. regarding proper facilities for the transportation of the immigrants going to New York, the Far West and Canada on the special immigrant trains; special reference to women travelling alone or with chil-

dren; evening visit to the North and South Stations to see that no immigrant is stranded on the day of his arrival; any other service which may be rendered in specific cases.

AT THE UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATION

Services of the permanent social worker, Miss Mariani, in the cases of young women who come to be married. She aids the Special Board of Inquiry, by interviewing the women to be sure that no constraint is on them to marry; accompanies the women to the church of their choice, witnesses the marriage ceremony, files a certificate of the marriage ceremony with the United States Commissioner of Immigration, and finally through the Italian Consul files a certificate of the marriage in the native villages of the contracting parties, thus completing the legality of the marriage in both countries.

This same worker takes any special case for investigation, or aids in discovering friends of the immigrants on the request of the Commissioner.

She likewise takes up cases of immigrants with the Commissioner on request of friends, consoles the debarred and tries to explain the justice of their rejection.

Transportation to Italy of indigent Italian residents of Boston or cities and towns of Massachusetts.

This work the Society is enabled to do through co-operation with the Italian Consul in Boston. The only conditions necessary are that the applicant be **indigent**, regardless of the cause of the indigency and shall himself be desirous of returning to his native land. The cost of transportation is practically nominal. A limited number is sent back on each steamship bearing immigrants to Italy. Applications may be made directly to the Society.

Co-operation with existing philanthropic, educational and social institutions in the interest of the individual Italian resident and of the social and civic betterment of Boston.

The Society is exceedingly anxious to work with such institutions especially in those phases of their work in which the Italian element of the population enters.

To carry on this co-operation the Society maintains an office with telephone connection and one permanent social worker, who speaks both English and Italian. The Society takes up any case relating to the Italian element of the population which may be referred to it by another society, institution or individual, investigates the same, gives authentic information and the personal assistance of the Society's worker in carrying out any program agreed on.

Applications for moral or material assistance are likewise received from Italian residents and referred to the proper institutions for adjustment, the Society working with said institution in handling the case.

Active co-operation has been already established or is in immediate process of establishment between the

United States Immigration Department.

The Italian Consul in Boston.

The Associated Charities.

The Boston Provident Aid Society.

The Boston Juvenile Court.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

The State Board of Lunacy and Charity.

The Children's Institutions Department.

The Social Service Department of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

The local Nurses of the Boston Consumptives Hospital.

Local social clubs and classes.

The Home for Destitute Catholic Children.

The Boston School Board.

WE WANT PUBLIC SUPPORT

in placing the Italian residents of Boston and vicinity in close touch with the numerous educational and social opportunities which the various communities offer in the interest of civic progress.

NATURE OF GROWTH DESIRED

We wish to maintain at least **two** permanent social workers. We desire volunteer workers. We

wish thereby to study the various problems offered by Italian immigration in Boston, collecting authentic data through personal investigation, especially data regarding the physical and moral welfare of Italian women and youth; tenement conditions; conditions of labor; school advantages and school attendance; social conditions, etc.

If the Society's plans do not fail of their purpose, both the Italian element of our city and the city at large should be benefited.

ELEANOR M. COLLETON,

President

How You May Aid the Society

Will you not contribute either as a subscriber of \$3.00 more annually, or as an associate member paying \$1.00 annually?

Any one contributing at any one time \$100 shall be considered a benefactor of the Society.

All cheques may be made payable to The Boston Italian Immigrant Society, and forwarded either to the President, Miss Eleanor M. Colleton, 59 Beach Glen St., Roxbury, or to the Treasurer, Mr. Pio De Luca, 32 Pemberton Sq., Boston.

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